Barton St. P-Patch Meeting Notes 12/15/10 SW Community Center

I. Introduction and P-Patch development overview

We started the meeting with P-Patch Staff Laura Raymond giving an overview of the P-Patch Development process. We are still in the beginning stages of the overall process. We are at the Landscape Architect Selection point. Next will come a series of public design input meetings/workshops, lots of outreach (already underway), then building, and finally, gardening.

II. Demonstration: How to access and use the online contact list

Cliff demonstrated how to use the online contact list. It's a shared list that "lives" online. People wanted to have a list that many people can access easily. For example, leaders of committees/work groups can get the emails they need to send out info to their groups. To add a name and contact info to the list send an email to Cliff Ellis or to Laura Raymond.

For those of you who want to see or use the contact sheet here is the link you need to access the information:

https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0AhN3grh7dRUHdEZOMjZYVGJRRDJRTjFEQWQt WXQ3Tnc&hl=en&authkey=CliV7d4D#gid=0

Let Cliff know if you have any questions.

III. Design Committee update

We heard from the design committee (Paula Swift, Kate Farley, Karen Farnsworth, Ray Fitzgibbon) who presented their dilemma in deciding between the final two designers. They discussed whether the "sure bet" was the right decision, or whether the member of the community was a better option. One was more expensive and professional; one was less expensive and seemed closer to the community.

The group gave input and directed the Design Committee to make the final choice. The Design Committee agreed to wait on a final decision until Monday, 12/20 to allow for anyone to make additional comments before then.

IV. Outreach Committee update (Terri)

Terri Lindow gave and update from the Outreach committee and explained the sort of outreach activities they have done in the past few weeks. They have visited community centers, churches, and other diverse areas to reach out to those underrepresented so far in the Barton P-Patch. Flyers were passed out to help with outreach. For those of you who grabbed some; don't forget to hand them out!

V. Select a set Select a steering committee lead

Laura Raymond talked about the need for someone to volunteer as a lead for the committee and the general P-Patch effort. She described the types of activities and several people Randee Frost, David Totter, Paula Swift, and Ray Fitzgibbon volunteered as possible committee leads. Laura Raymond said she would follow up with each of them and find out who might take the lead/co-lead and how others might help out.

VI. Select regular meeting date

Finally we set a regular meeting date for the second Wednesday of every month. There was a little discussion about whether or not more than one meeting was necessary, but for now there will be one monthly meeting. Nicole Huth, with the P-Patch Program is looking into whether the room at the Southwest community center is available through June.

